

**REMARKS**

Claims 1-52 are pending. Claims 1-23 have been withdrawn. No new matter has been entered. Claims 24-52 remain in the application.

- Claims 1-52 stand subject to a two-way restriction requirement under 35 U.S.C. § 121. Applicant elects the system, method, and apparatus for assessing cardiac performance through transcardiac impedance monitoring species without traverse. Claims 24-52 read on the elected species.

- Further examination of the application and entry of the claim amendments are respectfully requested. Claims 24-52 are believed to be in a condition for allowance and a Notice of Allowance is earnestly solicited. Please contact the undersigned at (206) 381-3900 regarding any questions or concerns associated with the present matter.

Respectfully submitted,

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